CHAPTER NO. 173

SENATE BILL NO. 764

By Dixon

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1091

By Lois DeBerry

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 5 and Title 68, Chapter 29, relative to medical laboratory directors.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 29, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

Section 68-29-137. In addition to other persons permitted by law or rule to be medical laboratory directors, a dentist licensed in this state, certified by the American Board of Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology and certified in oral pathology by the Tennessee board of dentistry shall be qualified to serve as a medical laboratory director limited to the specialty of oral pathology without obtaining medical laboratory licensure in addition to the dentist's professional license.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 7, 2003

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APPROVED this 22nd day of May 2003

PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR

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